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ORGANIZATION OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER  
(REAR SERVICES) OF THE POLISH MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE

Introduction

This report gives the information [ ] on the organization and functions of the Office of the Chief of Rear Services of the Ministry of National Defense (later redesignated the Office of the Chief Quartermaster of MON) [ ]

1. Office of the Chief Quartermaster

## a. Reorganization and Redesignation

Late in 1952, the office of the Chief of Rear Services of the Ministry of National Defense underwent a major reorganization, in which the Finance Department and the Transportation Department were transferred to the direct control of the Ministry of National Defense, and the name of the Office of the Chief of Rear Services was changed to the Office of the Chief Quartermaster (Glowne Kwatermistrzowstwo).<sup>2</sup>

## b. Relationship of the Office of the Chief Quartermaster to Major Subordinate Commands

[ ] the Office of the Chief Quartermaster and its subordinate departments worked directly with the chief quartermasters of the military districts (Okregi Wojskowe) who, in turn, worked with lower level subordinates in their immediate districts. The Office of the Chief Quartermaster also worked directly with chief quartermasters of the air force (Wojska Lotnicze) and the navy (Marynarka Wojenna), who, in turn, worked with their respective subordinate units.

[ ] the Office of the Chief Quartermaster worked directly with the Directorate of Supply for MON because it was considered to be on the military district level. [ ]

## c. Mission

The mission of the office of the Chief Quartermaster of MON [ ] was to supply the ground, air, and naval forces of Poland (less Security Forces) with clothing; food; petroleum, oil and lubricants; to construct buildings and installations; to provide medical care for personnel and veterinary care for animals used by the military; and to give technical training to its quartermaster cadre. [ ]

## d. Deputy and Chief of Staff

The Deputy and Chief of Staff was responsible for directing the operations of the four branches: Organization, Mobilization, Education and Rules and Regulations, and the Security Office of the Office of the Chief Quartermaster in peace and war; and for assuming the duties of the Chief Quartermaster in the latter's absence.

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## e. Composition of the Office of the Chief Quartermaster

[redacted] the Chief Quartermaster headed 11 subordinate branches which were supervised through a Deputy and Chief of Staff. In addition, the Directorate of Supply for MON was an independent office, subordinate to the Chief Quartermaster, responsible for local housekeeping and supply functions for MON personnel and installations in WARSAW.

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Four branches, those of Organization, Mobilization, Education and Rules and Regulations, and Security established policy and supervised these matters for all branches and activities under the supervision of the Chief Quartermaster.

Seven other branches, the Director of Food and Clothing Supply, the Medical Department, the Veterinary Department, the POL Department, the Quartering Department, the Planning Administration of Material Supply, and the Construction Outlay Administration, served all the Armed Forces (air, ground, and navy).

## f. Names of Department Heads, and Polish Titles, in the Office of the Chief Quartermaster

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[redacted] list of departments and offices [redacted]

Chief Quartermaster (Główny Kwatermistrz)	Brig Gen Wiktor ZIMINSKI
Deputy and Chief of Staff (Zastępca i Szef Sztabu)	Lt Col SZCZERBA, (fnu)
Directorate of Supply for MON (Kierownictwo Zaopatrzenia dla MON)	Lt Col CHOJNA (fnu)
Director of Food and Clothing Supply (Główny Intendent (Dyrektor Zaopatrzenia))	Col OSTACHOWSKI, (fnu)
Food Department (Departament Żywnościowy)	Col OBIEDZINSKI, (fnu)
Clothing Department (Departament Mundurowy)	Lt Col FOGT, (fnu)
Medical Department (Departament Zdrowia)	Brig Gen Leon SAMET
Veterinary Department (Departament Weterynarny)	Col RZELSKI, (fun)
Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricants Department (Departament Materyjalew Pędnych i Smarow)	Lt Col NOWAK, (fnu)
Quartering Department (Departament Kwaterunkowy)	Lt Col RYBACZEK, (fnu)
Planning Administration of Material Supply (Zarząd Planowania Zaopatrzenia Materyjalowego)	Col NIERENSKI, (fnu)
Construction Outlay Administration (Zarząd Budownictwa Inwestycyjnego)	Col STACHYRA, (fnu)
Project Bureau (Biuro Projektów)	Lt Col ZAREBSKI, (fnu)

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**2. Departments in the Office of the Chief Quartermaster****a. Director of Food and Clothing Supply**

(1) Food Department. Planned and established quotas for food rations in kind and monetary subsistence allowances for all personnel of the Armed Forces.

(2) Clothing Department. Planned and established quotas for the issuing of clothing materials and for monetary allowances for clothing (details unknown) for all personnel of the Armed Forces.

(3) Animal Feeding and Equipping Section. The feeding of animals used by the Armed Forces was handled by the Food Department, and they were equipped by the Clothing Department. Further details were unknown.

**b. Medical Department**

This department handled procurement of medical personnel, supplies, equipment and planned the construction of new buildings for military hospitals and dispensaries. In addition it arranged for the training of its personnel and made provision for medical care for all active duty personnel of the Armed Forces and the dependents of career military personnel.

**c. Veterinary Department**

This department handled procurement of veterinary personnel and supplies and equipment for the care of animals utilized by the Armed Forces. It also was responsible for the inspection of all meat consumed by the Armed Forces.

**d. Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricants Department<sup>4</sup>**

This department procured, allocated, and controlled POL supplies for the Polish Armed Forces. As Chief of the Military Department of the Central Petroleum Administration(CUN)

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(1) Organization and Planning Section. (10 military and three civilians). The mission of this section was the allocation of POL quotas for the entire army, air force, and navy. The Security Office of this section handled all incoming and outgoing classified correspondence.

(2) Mobilization Section. This section planned detailed war-time functions of the POL Department, taking into consideration supply and delivery, transportation, and the types and quantities of POL products.

(3) Planning and Rules and Regulations Section. This section established current plans for the delivery and supply of POL products for the Army for a given fiscal year, based on the needs of military districts (army), air force, and navy, less Security Forces. The Rules and Regulation section established rules and regulations governing the mission and responsibilities of the POL Department. It also supervised and controlled the training of officers of the POL Department at the Quartermaster School in POZNAN.

(4) Technological Section. (Four military) The mission of this section was to check and insure the quality of the delivered POL products in accordance with Polish Standard Requirements (Polskie Normy) or Soviet Standard Requirements (Sowieckie Normy, GOST).

(5) Exploitation Section. (Six military and three civilians) The mission of this section was to coordinate the capacity and utilization of storage depots, their construction, and the transportation of POL products to and from these depots for armed services use.

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(6) Supply Section. (Four military and two civilians) The mission of this section was to insure current deliveries to storage depots and army units, and to purchase containers and provide transportation facilities for the armed services.

(7) Finance Section. (Two military and two civilians) The mission of this section was to plan and disburse financial requirements for all sections of the POL Department.

e. Quartering Department

This department was responsible for quartering all the Polish Armed Forces (less Security Forces) and their dependents of career personnel, the care and maintenance of such properties, the periodical inspections of such buildings and grounds for proper maintenance and care by occupants, and the procurement of training areas for the Armed Forces. In addition it was in charge of the procurement of garrison and household furnishings and equipment and the heating and lighting of all premises under its control.

The specific training of permanent cadre officers, EM, and civilian personnel for assignment in the Quartering Department and the supervision of such training at the Central Quartermaster School in POZNAN<sup>5</sup> was also a responsibility of this department. In addition, the department established rules and regulations for its operation, planned fiscal budgets, and exercised control measures for the expenditure of its funds.<sup>6</sup>

f. Planning Administration of Material Supply

This department aided all the other departments of the Chief Quartermaster in planning for material supplies which would be required in the future.<sup>6</sup>

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g. Construction Outlay Administration

This department planned future construction of military installations, official buildings, and dependent quarters for all the Armed Forces, other than the Security Forces. The Project Bureau for this Administration made up specifications for all future Armed Forces construction projects.

3. Organization of the Directorate of Supply for MON

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the directorate consisted of nine branches directly responsible to the Deputy Chief: Organization, Clothing, Food, Quartering, Medical and Veterinary, Construction, Transportation, POL, and Finance. These branches were responsible for the local logistical and housekeeping support of MON in WARSAW. there were about 5,000 military personnel and civilian employees within the MON complex in WARSAW.

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a. Organization Branch. (Four officers and four civilians) This branch consisted of four sections, as follows: Personnel Affairs - Handled the processing of personnel attached or assigned to the Directorate of Supply (exact number unknown); Education - Planned training and arranged for schooling of personnel assigned to the Directorate of Supply; Planning - Set up future plans for all branches of the Directorate of Supply and the Security Office - Handled all incoming and outgoing classified materials.

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b. Clothing Branch. (One officer and one civilian) This branch established quotas for uniform materials to be issued during each fiscal year to individuals (cadre officers) assigned to MON.

c. Food Branch. (One officer and one civilian) This branch issued subsistence items, in kind, from government resources to important and favored personnel assigned to MON. [redacted] arranged separate ration funds for less favored and lower-ranking personnel [redacted] and arranged funds for personnel on temporary duty at MON or for those visiting other installations from MON, when military rations and quarters were not available.

d. Quartering Branch. (One officer and one civilian) This branch arranged for living quarters for eligible personnel working at MON, temporary housing for visiting dignitaries, the payment of moving expenses to officers assigned to MON from other stations, and the reimbursement billeting and subsistence expenses to personnel on service-connected assignments at posts other than their own.

e. Construction Branch. (One officer and one civilian) This branch made arrangements for necessary building construction and repair work for MON.

f. Transportation Branch. (One officer and one civilian) This branch arranged for all types of transportation for MON. [redacted]

g. P.O.L. Branch. (One officer and one civilian) This branch supplied all petroleum, oil, and lubricant needs of MON [redacted]

h. Medical and Veterinary Branch. (Two officers and one civilian) This branch furnished medical treatment for personnel attached to MON, and inspected all meat consumed by on-post personnel assigned to MON.

i. Finance Branch (One officer and one civilian) This branch established the budgets for all departments of MON insofar as Quartermaster expenditures were concerned, and planned fiscal year budgets for each branch within the Directorate of Supply for MON.

1. Comment : [redacted] prior to 1951 the Automotive (Transportation) Service (Sluzba Samochodowa) came under the direct control of the Chief of Rear Services, and that in 1951 the control was transferred to the Chief of Organization and Training (inspectorate) (Szef Glownego Zarzadu Wyszakolenia Bojowego Wojska Polskiego). [redacted]

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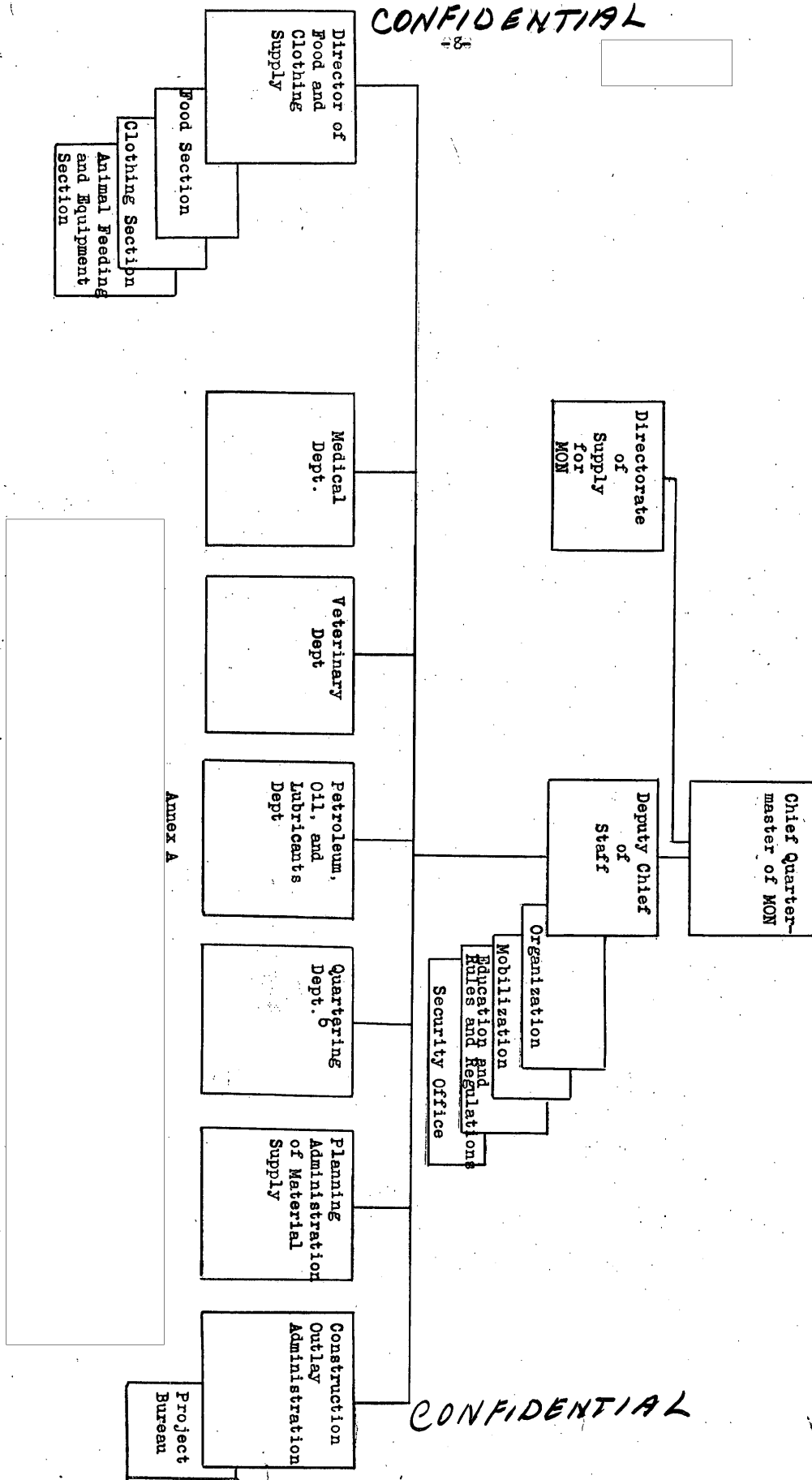
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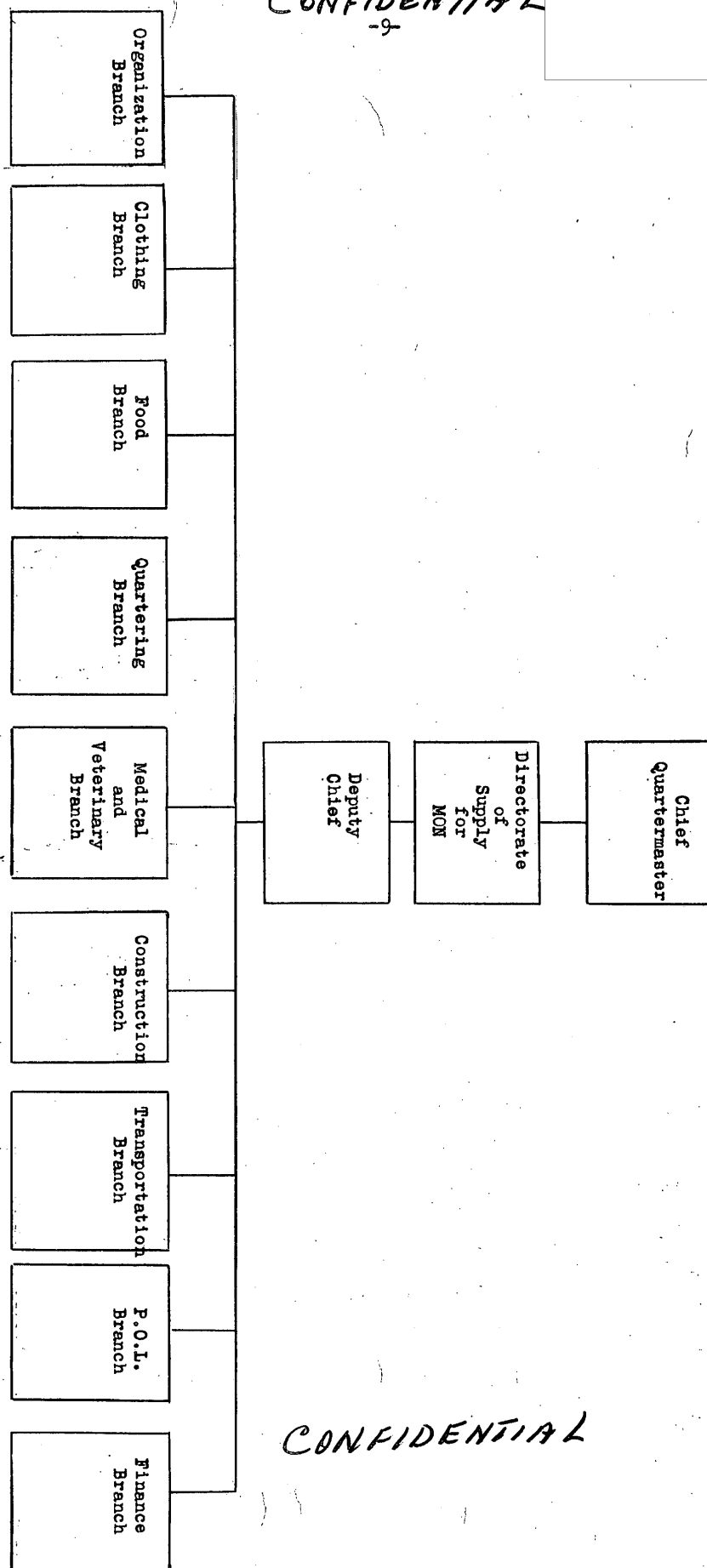


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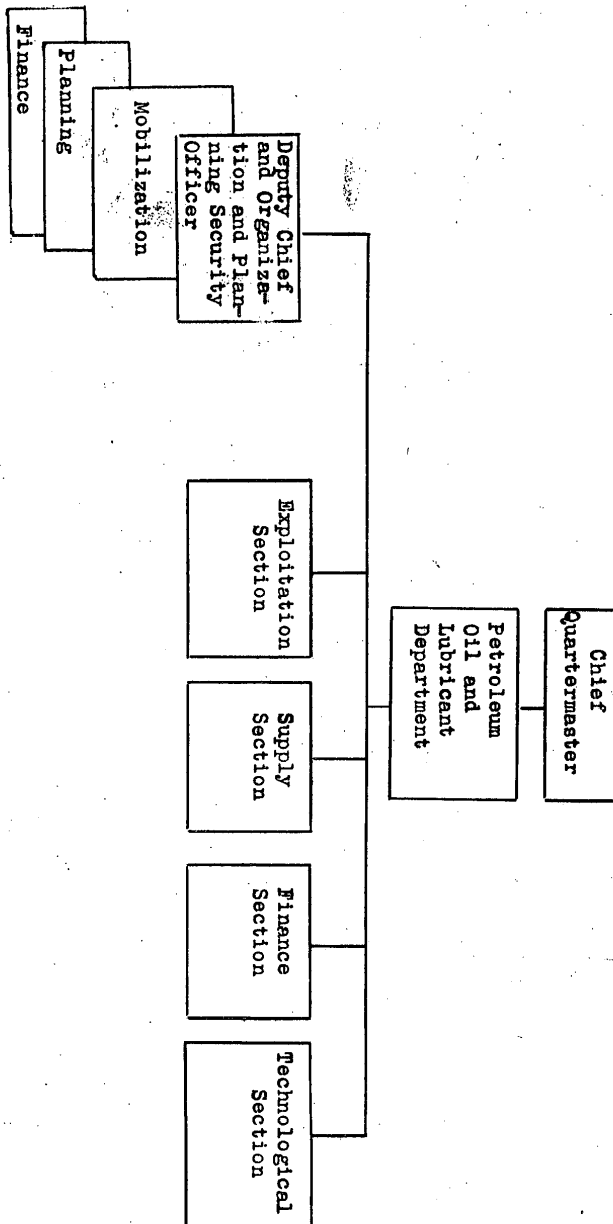
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